SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
September 24, 2014

PRESENT:

Scott Carson – Vice-Principal of Landmark, Admin over school community council

Linda Mortensen – Facilitator of SCC

Susan Boothe – Business Admin. Legacy School

Ted Davies – Counselor, Landmark H.S.

Mark VanVoorhis—Adult Ed Social Studies teacher, head of Student Council, (as of this meeting, Co-Chair of School Community Council)

Mark Ostler – Parent member (as of this meeting, Chairman of SCC)

Susy Devenish – Parent member

Robin Escotto – Parent member

Melody Lusk – Parent member

Nancy Ostler – Parent member

ALL ADVISORY MEMBERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE AT THIS MEETING. The Council is well represented this year with members from each part of the Landmark/Cornerstone organization, including Legacy School and Adult Education. Legacy will be moving from the Grant Bldg. over to the old SFJH this year. Susan Boothe expounded on what Legacy School is all about.

SET THE CALENDAR

As this was the first meeting of the 2014-15 school year, the calendar was discussed and the following date and time were set for this monthly meeting: 2nd Wednesday at 6:30 pm.
CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

A vote was taken among the members for Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Committee. It was unanimous that Mark Ostler serve as the Chairman. He will be responsible for conducting the meetings and working with the facilitator on the agenda. It was also unanimous that Mark VanVoorhis act as the Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Committee, assisting the Chairman as needed.

SMARTBOARDS

The subject of acquiring smartboards for Landmark was brought up. We will hold off for the time being on this due to the cost involved. We would eventually like to purchase them as they could be a great classroom resource for the students.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN REVIEW (handout)

There are four Goals under the SIP. They include academic and behavioral goals. These were discussed for those new members and as a review for other members.

Goal #1 – Improve overall student success by continuing to standardize the Advisory Program curriculum and goals and finding ways to imbed these deeply into the school culture.

Goal #2 – Increase student proficiency in Math concepts that are critical for students to be successful in the Secondary Math Core Curriculum.

Goal #3 – Increase student grade level proficiency in reading.

Goal #4 – Develop and implement a standard grading and reporting format for Landmark/Cornerstone.

The SIP Plan is available for review on the Nebo school website.

DISCUSSION – ADDRESSING MENTAL HEALTH

We are planning to have a number of Parent Night/Assemblies to address the emotional health concerns of our organization. Partners in this area include: NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) and the Wasatch Mental Health. NAMI has provided a curriculum that will be used in Advisory classes called “Hope For Tomorrow.” We will be implementing this in October. The Planned Parent night will be in place of our second SCC meeting, and will be held on Tuesday, October 14th here at Landmark. The purpose is to share with the parents what resources are
available to address mental health issues. Incentive possibilities were discussed for our first Parent Night to encourage attendance. One suggestion was to have a raffle or a drawing. Another was to have the students perform in the areas they’ve been working on as the entertainment, such as social dance, art, and cooking. Howard Bonzo, Sarah Lewis, and Scott Carson will be contacted to see if they can come up with a short performance or display. It is hoped this would entice the students to talk to their parents about the activity so they would want to attend. It was decided also to use businesses in the area (food and movie places, etc.) as business partners, having them donate products to use for the drawings, then awarding them with a certificate to put up in their place of business. To facilitate this, Scott will come up with an official letter for each member to take with them when requesting donations. Members will split up in different areas to contact businesses. Linda will keep a running log of who has been contacted as we go along so as not to duplicate our efforts. It was decided that the event would be an hour in length, and that we would have business first, and performances following, in hopes of keeping parents from leaving following their child’s performance.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

--**Bell Schedule**—Scott will make sure to have the current Bell Schedule placed on our website.

--**Phone Issues**—Scott will address the Ostlers’ phone/parent link issues.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm**